Jefferson County Public Defender Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 2, 2022 – meeting held via Zoom

Present: Board members: Robert Barlow, Heather Foy

Also in attendance: Devon Sharpe

- D. Sharpe called meeting to order
- D. Sharpe presented the November 4, 2021 meeting minutes, Motion to approve by H. Foy, seconded by R. Barlow, and unanimously approved by the Board.
- D. Sharpe presented the Amended Comprehensive Plan to adopt corrections to the Juvenile Delinquency section to be in accordance with the recently changed regulations by the Commission. Motion to approve by R. Barlow, seconded by H. Foy, and unanimously approved by the Board.
- D. Sharpe presented a newly created grant that was approved for Jefferson County after application by D. Sharpe. This will allow for 60% reimbursement toward costs/expenses associated with representation in CHINS or TPR matters.
- D. Sharpe provided an update to the Board members
 - Discussed case assignments
 - Initial hearing coverage
 - Pretrial Grant for IH Coverage was reduced from \$30k to \$15k. PD salary budget will continue to cover this cost. It reduces the pressure placed on the other contract attorneys. In short, the PD budget will now pay \$15k toward IH attorney coverage and the Grant will pay \$15k.
 - Submitted reimbursement requests
 - o There is a newly created Chief PD Budget within the General Fund
 - The fund categories are Chief PD Pay, PD Salaries, Superior Court Expenses, Circuit Court Expenses
- Meeting was adjourned.
- Future meeting date(s) of the Board are as follows:
 - o May 4, 2022, 12:00 pm (noon)
 - o August 3, 2022, 12:00 pm (noon)
 - o November 2, 2022, 12:00 pm (noon)
- Next meeting is May 4, 2022, 12:00 pm (noon)

Minutes prepared by Devon Sharpe.